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TANIGUCHI et al.

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For: **STEM CELLS AND METHOD OF SEPARATING THE SAME**

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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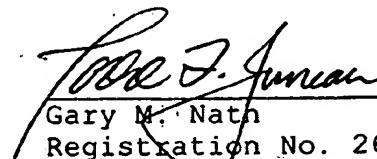
Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark  
Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Filing Form For Continuation of an International Patent  
Application;
- (3) 42 Page Continuation Application consisting of:
  - 1 cover page of the publication,
  - 33 pages specification,
  - 6 pages with 37 claims,
  - 1 page of the abstract,
  - 0 sheets drawings;
- (4) Preliminary Amendment with Attachments A and B to be  
examined;
- (5) Sequence Listing Statement;
- (6) 6 Pages Sequence Listing;
- (7) 1 diskette Computer Readable Form(CRF);
- (8) Unexecuted Declaration;
- (9) Request for Priority with Priority document JP2001-126315;
- (10) Form PCT/ISA/210 International Search Report;
- (11) Forms PCT/IB/301, 304, 308 and 332;
- (12) Check no. 19655 for \$2,774.00 for the filing fee;
- (13) Postcard for early notification of serial number.

Respectfully submitted,  
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1. This is a Request for filing a
- ☒ Continuation Application under:
    - ☒ 37 CFR 1.53(b)(1)
    - ☐ Divisional Application under:
      - ☐ 37 CFR 1.53(b)(1)
      - ☐ Continuation-In-Part (CIP) application
        - ☐ 37 CFR 1.53(b)(2)

of prior ("parent") international application:

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2. ☒ Enclosed for application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) are:
- 42 pages of text (cover page, specification, claims,  
abstract)
  - 37 claims
  - 0 sheets of drawings
  - 1 diskette computer readable form (CRF)
  - 1 priority document no. 2001-126315

3. The **present** application names the following inventor(s):

1) Hideki TANIGUCHI 2) Atsushi SUZUKI

☒ Newly executed oath or declaration (original or copy) will be submitted at a later date pursuant to 37 CFR 1.41, 1.53

☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.52 (b))

☐ (37 CFR 1.53--"CIP") The above-identified application (in which no payment of the Issue Fee, abandonment of or termination of proceedings has occurred) is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application.

The **Total Filing Fee** is calculated as follows:

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	NUMBER OF CLAIMS FILED		NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE	OR	RATE	FEE
TOTAL	74	minus 20	54	x9=	0		x18=	972
INDEP	15	minus 3	12	x43=	0		x86=	1,032
BASE FILING FEE				+385=	0		+770=	770
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				TOTAL	0	OR	TOTAL	2,774

☐ Applicant(s) is/are a "small entity". A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status:

☐ was filed in the parent application, and small entity status is still proper and desired ;

☐ is asserted as allowed under 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ A check including the above-indicated filing fee is enclosed.

A Petition for Extension of Time (to keep the parent case pending) is enclosed, with a check including the \$      extension fee.

     Assignment document(s) is/are submitted herewith, with a check including the recordation fee of \$40.00 per Assignment.

  X   No declaration is enclosed. A Declaration and Power of Attorney will be submitted at a later date pursuant to 37 CFR 1.41, 1.53, and/or a check for the "Total Filing Fee" calculated above and a surcharge under 37 CFR 1.16(e).

     The prior application is assigned of record to                     , the Assignment being recorded on                     , on Reel             , Frame(s)             .

     An original executed Declaration is enclosed.

  X   Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

    -- This is a Continuation of International Patent Application PCT/JP02/04084 with an international filing date of 24 April 2002 which claims priority to JAPAN Patent Application No. 126315/2001 filed 24 April 2001, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.--

  X   Foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 of application(s) JAPAN No., filed 24 April 2001 is hereby claimed. The certified priority paper(s):  
         was/were filed in the parent case;  
         is/are enclosed herewith;  
      X   will be submitted at a later date.

  X   The power of attorney in this application is to Gary M. Nath, Reg. No. 26,965 et al.

     The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

  X   The power will be submitted at a later date.

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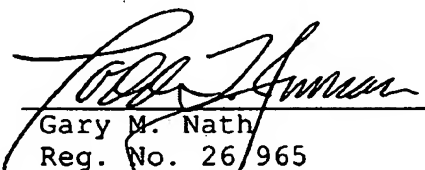
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— If extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the parent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned to allow copendency of the parent and the present continuing application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fee deficiency under 37 CFR 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

X Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$ 2,774.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any excess to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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